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Falls Church Police K-9 Unit Earns Prestigious Certification

FALLS CHURCH, VA. – On December 4, 2004 the City of Falls Church K-9 Unit along with 32 other area K-9 teams traveled to Martinsburg, West Virginia to attend the United States Police Canine Association Region 3 Tracking Certification. Region 3 represents the states of Virginia, Maryland, West Virginia, Delaware and the District of Columbia. The City of Falls Church Police Department is proud to announce that not only did both K-9 teams earn their certification they also scored well enough to finish in the top ten.

Officer Pilar Uelmen and K-9 Kato scored a 171.50 out of a possible 180 to place seventh overall. Officer Markus Bristol and K-9 Ronnie scored a 175.50 to place third overall.

Officer Bristol and K-9 Ronnie also earned their Triple Crown award, placing second over all in the Triple Crown. In order to earn this award the K-9 team must certify in patrol, narcotics detection, and tracking.

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